Accident in Banki Colliery

1950. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether an accident occurred in Banki Colliery under the South Eastern Coalfields Limited recently;

(b) if so, what are the details of the persons who were killed and injured in the accident;

(c) whether the report has been given to the concerned Unions; and

(d) whether jobs have been given to the dependants of the deceased?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) fatal accident occured on 18th August, 1986.

(b) One person named Shri Sant Ram, Timberman of 50 years of age died in the accident. No one was injured.

(c) Causes of accidents are communicated to the unions on their requests. No such request been received by the Directorate General of Mines Safety, Dhanbad from the Unions in the present case.

(d) The management of the Colliery has informed that apart from the payment under Workmen's Compensation Act, a job has also been given to the widow of the deceased.

Accident in Singrauli Colliery

1951. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an accident occured in Singrauli Colliery (NCL) recently;

(b) if so, how many persons were killed and injured thereby;

(c) whether the report has been given to the concerned unions; and

(d) whether jobs have been given to the dependants of the deceased?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected.

Guidelines to States regarding minimum wages

1952. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government had issued any guidelines to the State Governments regarding fixation of minimum wages; and

(b) if so, what are the details of these guidelines and what action has been taken by the State Governments thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) The Central Government had circulated draft guidelines on regional minimum wages to all the State Governments/ Union Territories on 6th May, 1986. As per these guidelines the entire country is proposed to be sub-divided into six regions. It is proposed that the regional minimum wages should be fixed employment wise for selected employments within the region. The draft guidelines are expected to be finalised soon based on the comments of the State Governments. These guidelints are of an advisory nature and have to be implemented by the States. The matter is being persued with the States.

Crisis in four spun silk mills

1953. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in the Assam Tribune on the 8th October, 1986 to the effect that the four spun silk mills in India